

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Takashi SHIKAMA et al.

Divisional Application of Parent Serial No.: 09/337,988

Filing Date: Concurrently herewith

**For: BEAD INDUCTOR AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING SAME**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, before the first paragraph, please add the following new paragraph:

This application is a Divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/337,988 filed June 22, 1999, currently pending.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-11 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.